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'DISCOVERING LEWIS AND CLARK' WEB SITE ADDS MAY UPDATES

MISSOULA—

The 2003-06 bicentennial of the Lewis and Clark expedition is just around the corner, and one of the best places to learn about history's dynamic duo is the "Discovering Lewis and Clark" Web site, www.lewis-clark.org.

Recent updates can be accessed by clicking on "New in May, 2002." There is a comparison of historic portraits done of Lewis and Clark, as well as an article on bearberry leaves and dogwood, which members of the Corps of Discovery used as an alternative tobacco.

Joe Mussulman, a former University of Montana professor, leads a team that designs "Discovering Lewis and Clark," which now includes more than 1,200 pages and gets 27,000 hits a day. Mussulman said the site has been described by historians as the best source of Lewis and Clark information on the Internet. Designers periodically add an interpretive episode that delves into some aspect of the expedition.

The site went online in 1997 and is funded by a nonprofit corporation Mussulman created called VIAs. Look for new episodes at the site for several years to come. Fiscal management of the site is provided by the Bookstore at UM.

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